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High Action Marks New Egyptian Quintet

News and photos just arriving from the Oriental Philatelic House, Cairo, indicates two new singles and a set of five are in the offing. All seven of 10 mils value each, the first honors the opening of the new Sheppard's Hotel while the second pays tribute to the Constitution. First days are 20 and 22 July, respectively.



To mark the fifth anniversary of the upheaval in Egypt, a new set of five will appear July 26. Shown are two striking designs depicting war scenes of 1580 B. C. and 1187 A. D.

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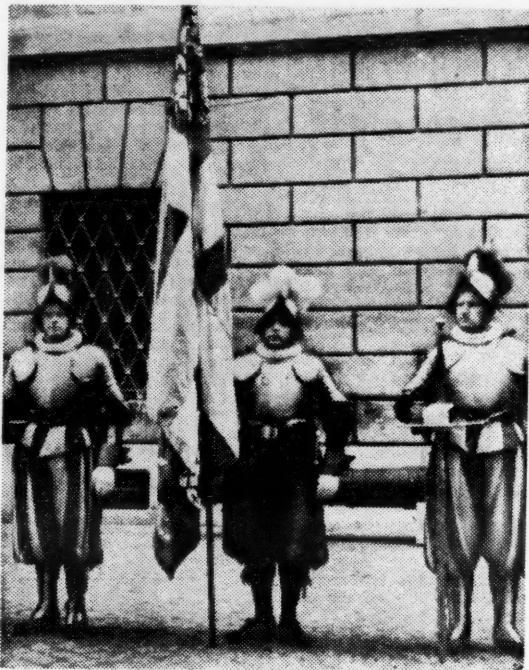
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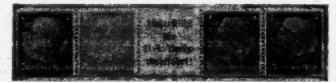
William Wonneberger, Jr.

Just a little over a year ago the Vatican City Postal Administration released a set of six commemoratives to note the 450th anniversary of the Pontifical Swiss Guard. Their appearance once again brought into the public eye a group which is favorably known in practically all corners of the world — they have a colorful military record and tradition, and colorful uniforms. However there exists a great lack of information as to what the Swiss Guard is, how it was founded, and what it is supposed to do. These things I shall attempt to write about.

But first the stamps. They had their day of issue on April 27, 1956. Three designs were conceived by the noted Polish miniaturist Casimira Dabrowska which were distributed equally among the six denominations.

On the 4 and 35 Lire is a picture of Captain-Colonel Gaspar Roust said to be adapted from a painting of him in the Teutonic College in Vatican City. T. Cionini, Inc. engraved the plates for the printing.

A photograph of Corp. John Jordal, a former guard, by Leonard von Matt, served as the source of the design for the 6L and 50L. (Continued on Page 10)



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Summerfield's Remarks Point Probability; New Rates Portend At Least Two New Stamps Soon

Hardly had the presses across the country ground out the news that, in what may well be the opening wedge leading to a higher rate for first-class mail, the Post Office Department was going to increase by as much as 50 per cent the "special services" rates in practically every department with which John Q. Public comes in direct contact, than the Postmaster General added another measure of fuel to the fire. "If the Department grants proposed wage increases to employees," he said in effect in a public interview, "the first-class rate will have to be hiked to 7c to offset the accompanying deficit of \$1 billion."

A bit of reading between the lines, plus looking at our Flag stamp of last week, and even the most naive of men must see that something in the advancing rate category is in the offing for him. Whether this is to be an increase in just the first-class or the air rate, or both, can not be stated; on the other hand, one who pauses a moment can but wonder whether this 4c Flag stamp is destined to take a position promptly beside the small 5c air mail of a few years ago — a short life and early oblivion.

in fulfillment—but it probably "won't be long now!"

New Issues Expected

The daily press has carried full details of the July 1 rate changes; complete schedules of them are available at all post offices.

The important factor, from the philatelic viewpoint, is that June 30-July 1 provided opportunity for some interesting last day and first day change of rate covers, and that the increases are logically the "shadow cast ahead by a forthcoming event"—new stamps to cover at least the new special delivery minimum fee and the new certified mail rate.

Nothing thus far has been said or done to indicate Departmental plans in this direction, but LINN'S will break the news as soon as it becomes official.

(Editor note: As we go to press, the wire reports that the Post Office Committee of Congress has recommended a 5% hike in wages for postal employees. This is not enough to satisfy them, yet it increases Mr. Summerfield's deficit problem tremendously. The public and the first-class mail rate question remain exactly where they have been for several months—up in the air.)

A new Special Delivery stamp of 30c value will be a long jump from that first 10-center "for delivery at any special delivery office"—but hardly yet in keeping with the proportionate values of 30c now and a dime three generations ago.

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Its coloring is dull, and is in keeping with its surroundings. The predominant color is dark brown, accompanied with gray as a contrast. In this respect, and also in regard to size, there is a similarity to the pheasant, although ornithologists place it in a separate class.



The conventional manner of depicting the male bird is with the tail feathers erect at right angles to the body and this manner was adopted for the stamp design. Under ordinary circumstances, these feathers are folded and lie in a line continuous with the body, but on the occasion of a display the feathers are spread out in the shape of the lyre, and are lifted over the bird's head and back.

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The diet consists of insects, worms, centipedes, etc., and nature has given it large and powerful claws with which to secure its food from the earth.

State of New South Wales

Its first appearance was on an 8d stamp of New South Wales issued on January 17, 1889, this being one of the denominations of a series commemorative of the centennial of the colony. The design was the work of a Miss Devine; who had been a successful competitor in an official competition held in 1887 for the purpose of obtaining art for the commemorative series. Miss Devine had submitted several essays and gained one first and two second awards. Strangely, the lyrebird was not amongst these but was subsequently adopted from one of her others which had not gained a prize.

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In 1899, a chalk-surfaced paper, watermarked as before, was introduced. Printings were in a magenta color and perfs measured 12 x 11½. The same color and perforation was maintained when in 1902 a new shipment of the chalk-surfaced paper, which continued to be employed, was found to have the watermark devices varied in form both in regard to the shape of the crown and the letters "NSW".

A further change occurred in 1905 with the introduction of ordinary paper watermarked with the device of a crown over a single-lined "A". The perfs were as before but the stamp may be found either in magenta or lilac-rose. In its final form, and in magenta color only, the 8d lyrebird stamp was issued in 1906 printed on the type of stamp paper then being used in Victoria, this bearing the watermark device of a crown over a double-lined "A". The perforation continued as 12 x 11½.

With slight adaption, the same lyrebird design was utilized for a green 2/6 stamp issued for use in New South Wales in 1902, it being printed on chalk-surfaced paper and perforated 12 x 11½. The variations mentioned for 1905 and 1906 for the 8d are also relevant to the 2/6 but, additionally, the latter is to be found in the 1905 series, with perforations measuring 11 x 11 and 11½ x 11. In both the 1905 and 1906 issues the color was blue-green instead of green.

The 8d lilac rose of 1889, perforated 11 x 12 and 12 x 12, was issued overprinted "OS" in black for use by government departments in New South Wales but the 2/6 escaped similar treatment as by the time it appeared (1902) official overprints of this type had been abandoned.

The Commonwealth of Australia

A lyrebird design was reintroduced for a 1/- stamp by the Federal Postmaster-General's Department in 1932.

It was prepared by an artist-engraver of the Note Printing Branch, Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Melbourne, with the assistance of the ornithologist of the National Museum.

This was subsequently engraved and recess-printed in green color at the Note Printing Branch and issued in undivided sheets of 120 on unwatermarked paper, perforated 11 x 11. The date of issue was February 15, 1932.

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The second appearance of this stamp, made in March 1941, was printed from new plates, the design slightly smaller, measuring 17.5mm by 21.5mm. This issue is, however, more readily distinguishable by the altered perforation, now 14½ x 14. The same watermarked paper as before was utilized and the sheet arrangement (two panes each of 80 stamps, 8 x 10) was the same except that double lines were printed down the gutter between the panes.

The previous type of imprint was now placed uniformly in the margin below the left corner. In 1947 the form of imprint was altered to read "Printed by the Authority of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia".

There was no further change until 1953, when the imprint on the sheet margins was discontinued. The final change occurred in November 1956, when in accordance with the announced policy the stamp was issued on unwatermarked paper. This is now the current type of 1/- but like others with designs which have been in use for many years, it is likely that before very long the lyrebird in its present form will be discontinued.

NYC Women's Society

Installs New Officers

The newly-elected officers of the Women's Philatelic Society of New York were installed to office at the June 27 meeting. This session was held at the home of member Mrs. Frieda Lowinson.

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Wisconsin PHS Has New Official Family

The Wisconsin Postal History Society held its annual meeting in Green Bay, Wisconsin during the convention of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs.

The following officers were elected: president, Edward D. Hamilton, Oshkosh; vice president Ray Wood, Racine; secretary-treasurer Charles J. Peirce, 68 Oakland Ave., Oshkosh, Wis.

The most popular of the educational bulletins that the Wisconsin Postal History Society has published was found to be the one entitled, "Fancy Cancellations of Wisconsin". Due to the fact that over one hundred new fancy cancellations have been discovered since the Bulletin was published it was decided to issue a revised edition which will include all the new discoveries. This will bring the fancy cancellations up to date.

The society is asking every stamp and cover collector to send in every fancy collection of Wisconsin that they have for recording at once. Credit will be given to every person contributing to this popular bulletin. The cancellations should be sent to Ray Van Handel, 221 Park Ave., She-

boygan, Wis. They will be returned promptly and in good condition.

Concord N. H. Show Comes In October

Plans are already under way for the Tri-State Collectors' exhibition, again to be held in Concord, N. H. Following the success of the event held in November 1956, it was unanimously voted by members of the New Hampshire Collectors' Club, original sponsors of the event, that another exhibition be held this year.

Plans call for the show to be held at the Concord, State Armory on Saturday and Sunday, October 26 and 27. Melvin Chase of Concord, is chairman.

As in last year's event, the Tri-State area will be comprised of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, with entries being accepted from the collecting public beyond those areas.

Of interest to other groups planning a similar exhibition is the fact that considerable discussion was held on the value of presenting a show which included items other than philatelic material. From the comments which were made by dealers, exhibitors and visitors, a combination type show is to be preferred in this area. In the 1956 show, a wide variety of stamps,

coins and other collectors' material, including the Governor Lane Dwinell Grand Trophy winner, historical souvenir china, was presented.

Town Cancellations Offer Interesting Sequence

There are collectors and there are collectors. . . some like to follow a beaten philatelic path, while others enjoy doing so only when the beating is fresh and they are doing the beating.

Such a chap is reader Charles H. Miller, Dravosburg, Pa., who queries, "How's this for those who wish an album page of cancellations for the 4c Flag?"

Christopher (III.) Columbus (Ohio) was born in Genoa (Colo.) Italy (N. Y.) and is buried in Seville (Fla.). Thanks to the backing of Isabella (Tenn., Ore.) and Ferdinand (Idaho), he was eventually able to sail from Palos (Verdes Estates, Calif.) and so on. He mentions that there is a Spanish (Fort, Tex.) and a Lisbon (Ohio); a pleasant hour spent perusing a Postal Guide would expand the list greatly.

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773 3c	San Diego (50)	1.95
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783 3c	Oregon (50)	1.95
784 3c	Susan B. Anthony (100)	3.30
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786 2c	Army (50)	1.25
787 3c	Army (50)	1.95
788 4c	Army (50)	3.00
789 5c	Army (50)	3.75
785-9c	1c-5c Army (50's)	10.75
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791 2c	Navy (50)	1.35
792 3c	Navy (50)	1.95
793 4c	Navy (50)	3.25
794 5c	Navy (50)	5.25
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That Stamp Puzzle

It stumped 95% of those who answered it. Out of all the replies that have been received to date (May 30), only 12 have been correct or acceptable as being correct for many different answers can be given, yet there is but one answer. Take this one answer however and multiply all of the figures used in answering the problem, by the same number, any number and you will still get a correct answer.



GEORGE W. LINN

The problem was... I bought 15 stamps from one man, 50 stamps from another man and 85 stamps from another man. Each man received the same total amount of money from me for his stamps.

Also note that same price per stamp was paid to each of the three parties. Now not all of the stamp were bought at the same price per stamp, but the stamps were bought at different prices and whatever figure was paid to one person for some stamps was paid to the other person for some stamps also and then whatever figure was paid for some more stamps was also paid for some more stamps to another person.

It is a very difficult problem to propose and that is why I tried to clarify it in my editorial of June 3 and I hope that any of you who have already answered and wish to make another try will have done so.

Any new answers must be postmarked not later than July 1st to be acceptable.

So here is the answer.
From the man with 15 stamps I bought 14 of his stamps and paid him at the rate of 6 cents per stamp for the 14 stamps (84c) for the other one stamp he had left I paid him (1c). Total85c
From the man with 50 stamps I bought seven of his stamps at 6c each (42c). For the other 43 stamps I paid him 1c each (43c). Making total price paid him85c.

From the man with 85 stamps I paid him 1c per stamp, Total .85c.
Most who did reply to this problem failed to note that I had stated that each man was paid the same total amount of money for all his stamps and also that I had paid at the same rate per stamp for the stamps received from each party.

Most answers were done the simple way of finding a number that if multiplied by the number of stamps each party had, would come out the same for the total, such as \$25.50 to each person which would be at the rate of \$1.70 each for the 15 stamps; 51c each for the 50 stamps and 30c each for the 85 stamps. These figures are not at the same rate per stamp to each of the three parties.

I have stated before, it is a difficult problem to state without exposing it too much and I hope that you who have tried it will forgive me if I have not stated it as clearly as it might be stated. Perhaps someone will figure out a better method. At least it is a very unusual problem and you can use it somewhere and have a good time with it.

My Annual Trip North

If you write me a letter and fail to get a reply from about July 1st to near the end of the month, just note that Mrs. Linn and I are going to go to Sidney, and other points in Ohio, then over to Buffalo and Rochester, New York. We expect to be back in Howey about the 20th to 25th of July.

We planned such a trip last year but got side tracked due to an attack of gall bladder trouble and I had to lay by for an operation, which canceled all other plans.

As yet we have not made out our schedule for this trip and may hit the New York end of the trip before going to Ohio. We hope that we can perhaps drop in on some stamp people on the way, but can not make any promises. Conditions permitting, we do hope to stop in Cleveland, Ohio on a Friday for a Garfield-Perry meeting.

So if you write me over this period, be patient until I am home when I can answer your letters.

Fabulous Florida

I think I will be excused for talking a bit about Florida for I have a great many letters from subscribers in the North who want information about Florida. People who write me that they are planning to come to Florida for retirement ask me to tell them how they can keep their mint stamps when down here, or where is the best place to live and many other questions.

The above heading to this matter is taken from the May 8 edition of the DAILY MAIL of London, England. There is almost a solid page story under the above title written by Don Iddon, a Daily Mail correspondent. Like all newspaper men, Iddon was looking for glamour and excitement. He came to Florida from New York, down the coastal roads. He saw only that part of Florida which even today, many Americans think is all there is in Florida.

To those who live here the year around and really love Florida, the coastal areas are places they go to only for a seashore vacation or ocean fishing trip. The real beauty of Florida is in its heart as with people. That means the great central part of the state. The coastal areas are merely picnic grounds for the visiting folks from the north. The industry and agriculture and cattle raising that are fast becoming big things for Florida are in the interior, in the hill country of Florida.

I just happen to have a letter from a Mr. Rod Kruse of Rockford, Ill. who says, "Your address fascinates me. Having formerly lived and worked in Florida, I didn't realize that there were any hills in the entire fine state."

That is the opinion held by those who think Miami and Miami Beach are Florida. Those points and others along the coast on the way to them are just the glamour spots, where only big money can take care of you for a winter vacation. When summer comes rates are cut to one-half or one-fourth and even the ordinary man can afford them, but for those who want year round retirement and good living, the central hill country is the ideal spot.

It is cooler here due to high ground which is from 60 to 80 miles from the Atlantic or the Gulf, year 'round weather conditioning is in effect on this high ground. Nights are cool and comfortable. Only about eight hours each day are hot. In those eight hours if you keep in the shade you get a nice breeze and as soon as the sun sets the weather is cool and comfortable. There are few nights that are uncomfortable for sleeping. If you are an early riser you can get up and have the best part of your day's chores done by ten o'clock and then a few hours rest and the cool of the late afternoon begins. As soon as the sun sets, the heat is off.

Here is Howey and for miles around is high ground. Much of the elevation is from 250 to 350 feet above sea level. The rolling hills are beautiful and are surrounded by hundreds of lakes filled with

fresh water and good fishing. There are 30,000 lakes in Florida. Here around Howey which is in Lake County, there are 1400 named lakes in this county.

If you retire in Florida and need work of some sort to help out, you perhaps need one of the larger towns where much industry is locating. But if you can retire on your present income you will find the greatest happiness in the central part of the state. It is but an hour to an hour and a half auto ride to either the Atlantic or the Gulf and then you will be glad to get back home in the quiet of a small community. Trouble with all magazine and newspaper stories of Florida is that they are looking for sensationalism rather than beauty and a pleasant place to live.

The Citrus Tower is located at Clermont, which is about 16 miles from Howey and on one of the highest points in the state. You can go up in this tower to a height of over 500 feet above sea level and see for miles in any direction. From this tower alone you can see more orange trees than there are in the entire state of California. You can see several small towns and almost 100 lakes, and you feel like you were on top of the world.

Yes, if you want to see Florida, pick up route 27 at the northern part of the state. Go straight down 27 to Okechobee, around either side of this lake and on to Miami. It is the most beautiful of all the roads to the big town. You will really know something of Florida if you take this road. You will see more citrus trees than in all of the rest of the United States. You will see more cattle than in most any spot in the west. You will enjoy your trip, and you will learn about Florida.

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July 15 Deadline For Scout FD Covers

July 15th has been set as the deadline for ordering Official First Day Covers and stamps commemorating the Boy Scout Jubilee Jamboree to be held in England in August.

Covers must be ordered from the Mayflower Stamp Company, Inc., (Dept. J), P.O. Box 88, New York 46, New York. The corporation was organized in the United States by Scout officials especially to handle cover sales in the Americas.

The stamps, in denominations of 2½¢, 4¢, and 1/3¢, honor the 50th anniversary of World Scouting and the 100th anniversary of the birth of Scouting's founder, Lord Baden-Powell.

The cost of each cover, including stamps, mailing and delivery, is \$1.00, or \$3.00 for the full set of three. They are of normal 6½-inch length, but are 5/8-inch wider than the usual U. S. envelope. The cachets are striking and interesting, and are in one, two and three colors each, respectively. Full details: see Linn's, April 15, page 9.

The purpose of the First Day Cover sale is to make funds available to the British Boy Scout Association, hosts of the Jamboree, for the conduct of the huge gathering.

Los Angeles - Mexico City Air Route Opens

Philatelic treatment will be given covers on the first flight from Los Angeles to Mexico City, Mexico, by Western Airlines, Inc., expected to depart on or about July 15, 1957. The airmail postage rate of 6 cents per ounce will be applicable to the covers sent via this service.

A special cachet will be applied to the covers bearing the required postage and accompanied by request that they be forwarded by the first flight. Such covers should be sent under cover to the following:

For dispatch from GPO, send to Postmaster; from Airport Mail Facility, send to District Transportation Manager; from L. A. International Airport, send to Dist. 7, Postal Transp. Service. All three, of course, are in Los Angeles.

Covers may be for delivery in the United States, Canada, or Mexico, and should be addressed in the usual manner to persons who are

SPECIAL EDITIONS

Various dealers who want to time some of their advertising to appear in conjunction with the special editions of Linn's Weekly Stamp News sponsored by different specialist groups. These editions are always the last one of each month and contain a splendid amount of information about the particular country or specialty.

The next four editions of a special nature are as follows:—
July 29 — National Highway Post Office Society.

August 26 — Austria Philatelic Society.

September 30 — American Topical Assn.

October 28 — Mexico — Elmhurst Philatelic Society.

Further inquiries can be directed to this paper by interested dealers.

Clubs or societies agreeable to sponsoring a special edition can get the details on request.

1957 STAMP PROGRAM

Aug. 1—Air Force 50th Anniversary, Washington, D. C. (No further details).

Aug. — Shipbuilding 350th Year, Bath, Me. (No further details).

Sept. 6 — Lafayette Birth Bicentennial (No further details). Wildlife Conservation (details not announced)

ALREADY ISSUED

1086 — Hamilton 3c, New York, N. Y. January 11.

1087 — Polio 3, Washington, D. C. January 15.

1088 — C & GS 3c, Seattle, Wash., February 11.

1089 — Architects 3c, New York, N. Y., February 23.

1090 — Steel 3c, New York, N. Y. May 22.

1091 — Jamestown 3c, Norfolk, Va., June 10.

1092 — Oklahoma 3c, Oklahoma City, Okla., June 14.

1093 — Teachers 3c, Philadelphia, Pa., July 1.

1094 — U. S. Flag 4c, Washington, D. C., July 4.

CANADA

Aug. 14 — 5c and 15c UPU comems. (See Linn's of July 1 for FDC details).

UNITED NATIONS

Oct. 24—3c and 8c UN Day.

Dec. 10 — 3c and 8c Human Rights Day.

To obtain First Day Covers collectors can send a reasonable quantity each with a name and address, and enclosing a sticker to the Postmaster of the designated first day city with a request for FD Service. Payment must accompany to cover the face value of the stamps to be affixed. For UN and Canadian first days, watch the news stories on these and follow instructions.

to receive them. It is anticipated that the covers will be backstamped upon receipt in Mexico and those addressed for delivery in the United States and Canada will be returned in the usual manner by the Postal Administration of Mexico.

Covers for the first flight must reach Los Angeles not later than July 13. Covers already postmarked, or articles mailed in the usual manner will not receive a cachet.

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37-42	3.50	166-60	.08	340-43	1.40
45-51	2.95	161-84	.75	342/	
62/	3.50	185-96	.15	Chalky	1.75
83/	4.95	188-209	.08	345-46	.75
74/	2.95	211/	.15	347-49	.50
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52	#249B, 249C, 282B, 254B, 325a, 327a, 328a, used booklet panes, VF		1.25
53	#341A, complete stitched Booklet, VF, Mint		.50
54	#341B, complete stitched Booklet, VF, cancelled		.75
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56	#210 plate block of 4, OG, VF		2.75

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65	★ #E1 to E11, Special Delivery complete, F-VF	12.00
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100	★ Packet 1000 diff. F-VF	17.00
101	★ ASTORIA, #14 (10), 160 (10), 212 (10), C1 (10)	9.00
102	★ C1 (10), C10 (10) F-VF	25.50
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104	★ 190 diff. F-VF	5.00
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107	★ BAHAMAS, #132 to 147, Superb	38.45
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109	★ BARBADOS, #4 (6), 167A (10), 193 (10), 194 (20)	27.16
110	★ 107, 119 (20), 200 (20) F-VF	20.10
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138	★ BELGIUM #430, 432, 438, 439, 10 each, VF	1.00
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members. This list can be the key to success. Pick correspondents who collect items you collect, Pick members who can read languages which you can write. Also, you MUST carry the ball. Even though the club may list your name in a listing do not expect much from this. I could never have made a contact in YEMEN were I to wait for him to contact me. In most cases USA OR CANADIAN members must make the initial contact. Instead of being killed by a kilo you may kill \$3 to start yourself on your adventure. Here is

HOW TO DO IT.

For all intents and purposes I find the 10c air letter sheet the best medium for making the initial contact. Airletters go anyplace in the world for the one fee of 10c. They are handy, simple to use and truly a financial saving of the 25c per half-ounce rate to many countries. Also, the airletter has philatelic value to all collectors. It must also be remembered that surface letters take 4 to 6 months **one way** to some parts of the globe.

I find airletters can reach far off points like YEMEN in 6 days. An air letter can reach Australia in 4 days, and so it goes. One point to remember with airletter correspondence is that nothing may be inserted or stuck to the air letter lest it be sent by surface mail. The initial correspondence should be brief and to the point, and should consist of simple words. Many people do not comprehend the complex American language. Therefore, do not use fine shades of literature in your initial contact. Here is a sample copy of my first letter to a new pen friend:

"I saw your name listed in #... club paper. I am member #... and desire to trade stamps and covers (stamps on envelopes). I collect first flights, special flight covers. Also, airmail First Day

Covers. I have many USA and UN commemoratives, first day covers, first flights, etc. I live in CLEVELAND, OHIO (a large city on Lake Erie). You can see my city on most any map. I can send you view cards, newspapers and magazines. I hope to hear from you by return airmail. Yours truly," etc.

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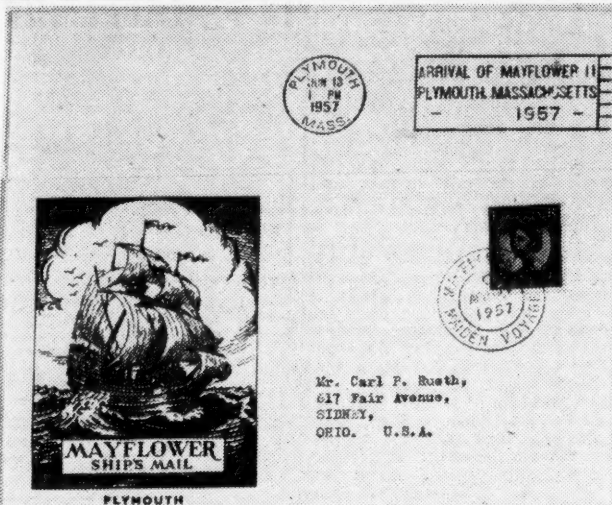
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Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania

Re. MAYFLOWER Covers

Persons interested in purchasing these covers are urged
to read LIFE Magazine's article, June 17 issue, page 7. Third
column, LINN'S is investigating the circumstances, and fur-
ther details will be forthcoming as fast as ascertained.

Briefly, covers properly addressed and bearing back-
stamp have clean bills of health, according to LIFE'S re-
porter, but an extra, last-minute 100,000 UNaddressed cov-
ers are subject to suspicion. It is reported that these are
NOT backstamped, but we have no verification as we go to
press.



MAYFLOWER SHIP'S MAIL. Very much in the news for the past
few months was the replica of the original Mayflower built in Eng-
land and presented to the people of America by Great Britain. It
carried merchandise as well as mail, two covers of the latter seen
here. Covers were backstamped in Plymouth, Mass. on June 13, the
slogan reading "ARRIVAL OF MAYFLOWER II/PLYMOUTH,
MASSACHUSETTS/1957". The postmark on the face of the cover
tying the British 2 1/2 is a double-ring one in which the wording
"MAYFLOWER II MAIDEN VOYAGE" and the date "C APR-JLY
1957".



Every now and again I have
been able to report the progress
being made by Mr. and Mrs. Wal-
ter Montgomery, 1111 Marshall
Ave., Evansville 14, Ind. on their
accumulation of data pertaining to
the Pray For Peace slogan. Other
than Moe Luff, editor and publish-
er of the U.S. Postal Slogan Cat-
alog, I do not know of any one who
has followed the "Pray" slogan
use like the Montgomerys.

As of the moment they report
that 400 cities are now using Pray
For Peace dies to cancel first class
mail in the automatic cancelling
machines. They believe, too, that
by mid-August another 100 post of-
fices will be using it.

The readers of Linn's who have
sent them information are being
thanked by Mr. and Mrs. Montgom-
ery. They asked that this be
done through the U.S. Notes. It
was here that their first statistics
were published.

Incidentally, are YOU praying
for peace? Every day?

1. On which denominations of the
1870-1 National Bank Note printed
regulars did these men appear -
Lincoln, Webster, Jackson, Stanton
and Clay?

2. On the 24c, 30c and 90c of
this same series, what men ap-
peared?

There are four items used by
collectors about which there are
many questions asked. The first to
be discussed is probably one of the
foremost enemies of the hobby, al-
though when used as it should be
it can be a good friend. This is the
gummed plastic tape which is
known as scotch tape.

There are two ways in which you
can make it a dangerous accessory
to your collection. The first is to
use it to hold stamps to the album
page and the second is to get it
close to valued material and then
have the adhesive bleed off the
cellophane onto a cover or stamp
nearby. When once the tape is
stuck to paper you can't remove
it unless part of the paper comes



All-clear acetate pockets are built into
the pages for every stamp, eliminating
the use of hinges or mounts. Insert
stamps into opening on top, as shown
on above illustration.

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along. And when you take part of
the front or back of a stamp along,
it is absolute junk.

Good material has been hope-
lessly ruined because the one who
mounted the stamps or covers
used a strip of scotch tape to hold
them to the page.

There are collections where the
tape was not placed on a stamp or
cover but was used on the sides to
hold a piece of plicofilm or other
clear plastic to the album page.
It is in such uses that the adhesive
under certain conditions, including
a hot summer, will bleed from the
tape to things in the vicinity.
When that happens you again have
a tearing of paper to clear the
pieces affected.

There has been mention of us-
ing solvents such as benzene and
carbon tetrachloride to remove
scotch tape. In fact I have tried
this on several occasions just for
test purposes. It takes a fair quan-
tity of liquid, either of which is
dangerous, and generally a couple
of days pass before the separation,
if it occurs, takes place. Even then
the scotch adhesive leaves a stain
which makes the item near worth-
less.

There seems to be so much
ignorance about mounting stamps.
People are also reluctant to use
hinges, the unlearned amateurs for
the most part, trying everything in
the book except hinges so they
won't "harm the gum". Now any
hinge put properly on a stamp will
hold for dear life, and peel off
with hardly ever more than a tiny
mark.

Hinges, good ones, aren't costly
- say about 25c per thousand,
with some of the super-deluxe
variety going for as much as a
dollar per M, and in my opinion

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American collectors have various
other methods in obtaining the
"first" contact. In future articles
I shall be glad to make these
methods known.

Replies come via air and surface
mail. USA stamps and UN items
are in greatest demand. Our wild
life series seems to have the most
takers. I suggest readers salt away
a few sheets of the Salmon, Ante-
lope and Friendship issues. These
items are wanted both mint or
used. Also, Pixex sheets are in
great demand. I suggest you ob-
tain some to use on your subse-
quent mailings to your new
friends.

American pocket magazines are
in great demand. You can obtain
these at any newsstand. Some of
these are monthly picture maga-
zines while others are Westerns,
Scientific, and so on and on. Al-
ways use good taste in collecting
this reading matter as you are not
only selling yourself but a bit of
America as well. Some of these
books are lurid and not in the dic-
tates of good taste.

These small magazines are easy
to mail. Also, save this philatelic
magazine together with any other
stamp publications you may re-
ceive; all back issues are in de-
mand all over the world. The peri-
odicals can be mailed in unsealed
envelopes (if too bulky you may
send them tied with rope but un-
sealed) marked, "printed matter"
at very low rates. In fact, 2c for
the first 2 ounces and 1 1/2c for
each additional 2 ounces or frac-
tion.

Books may also be sent marked
"books" at low rates. I suggest
you obtain from your post
office a (free) copy of INTERNA-
TIONAL MAILS FORM #2902
FROM POST OFFICE. This little
booklet lists the weights and di-
mensional limits of both surface
and airmail rates. International
surface mail rates are quite sim-
ple to comprehend, although air-
mail rates are a bit complex.
Study this booklet for it is the
transportation rates of your adven-
ture.

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U. S. MINT ENVELOPE STAMPS

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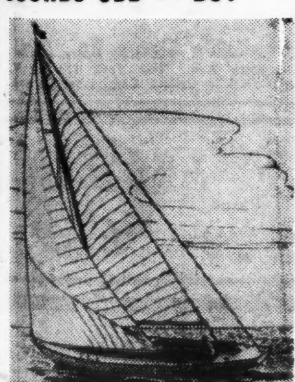
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In the minds of collectors of two or more generations ago, this little item will arouse memories of a great scheme and a great fraud of the post-WWI days. With foreign money so devaluated, but with the International Reply Coupon still holding along at pre-war rates in francs, marks, or whatever you, a slim little Italian fruit peddler in Boston, Charles Ponzi, developed A PLAN:

While the following figures are not accurate to the second decimal, they are sufficiently so to disclose enough for practical purposes, after more than a third of a century has elapsed. In "the old days," the Austrian crown had been worth about 20c and the franc almost as much. By 1920 the crown was worth some 7/10 of 1c—yes, ten crowns for 7c.

Ponzi's perfectly good plan was to buy \$1,000 worth of crowns at \$0.07, or a total of some 140,000! With these he bought international reply coupons at 1/4 crown each (originally 5c, and still good for that much value in stamps). These coupons he would in turn convert into cash in Switzerland or one of the few remaining "sound money" European countries, at the equivalent of 5c U. S. each. So—

Original investment, \$1,000; returns, upwards of \$25,000 minus operating costs. This was "so good" that the little man wished to share his good luck with the public, and for a while he did actually pay 50% returns on money

placed with him. In less time than nothing flat, his "empire" topped \$15 million, from the pockets of 40,000 Americans.

The bubble burst when overseas governments discontinued paying cash for the coupons. The audit showed assets of \$4 million against liabilities of \$7 million. Ponzi got away with a prison term, later got into further trouble and was deported. He had managed to save a tiny sum from his hoard, but that did not last long.

When he died in Brazil in January, 1949—in poverty—he was partially paralyzed and almost blind, yet still able to chuckle at recollections of his heyday at 29 School St., on one of Boston's assorted hills.

Perhaps he was dreaming of how he had tried so conscientiously to help his fellow citizens of 1920 to upgrade their own financial standings. . . . the only thing wrong with that dream is that the little man's "noble effort" had been well grounded upon a record that included smuggling aliens, forgery,

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Italy's Ovid commemorative consists of a single bi-colored stamp, featuring a white-on black profile of the Roman poet in an oval medallion, with white lettering on a gray-green background. Denomination is the usual 25 lire — the domestic letter rate. The stamp comes in panes of 50 subjects, and is printed by photogravure on star-water-marked paper. It bears the inscription "Bimillenario di Ovidio (Bi-millenary of Ovid) 43 A.C. - 1957 S.M.P.E."

A ten-value Flower set will be issued by San Marino sometime in July, in denominations of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 25, 60, 80 and 100 lire. Details are not yet available.

and other little activities of that shade.

Uncle Sam does not want any more Ponzi-pattern benefactors; hence, the early blocking off of the basis on which the scheme was purportedly (and, for a while, actually) operated. The Post Office Department is constantly alert to spot any attempt to use its facilities fraudulently, and while a few sharp operators are always getting by for a time, the Department does keep most of them out of action, and the rest on the constant alert and run.

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Arabian Middle
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Sherifian Empire Of Morocco: Centimes and francs throughout most of the empire, tied to the French franc, but with values of stamps used in the former Spanish protectorate zone temporarily expressed in Spanish centimos and pesetas, and, of course, peseta and British pound values on the stamps of the Spanish and British postal offices still operating in the city of Tetuan whose international status is in the process of being eliminated.

Algeria: Centime and franc currency of France in the French-occupied areas and probably also in the liberated areas of the Algerian Republican forces now fighting for their freedom from France.

Tunisia: Centime and franc residues of the former French protectorate regime.

United Kingdom Of Libya: Millimes and pounds at par with, or a little higher than, the British pound.

Republic Of Egypt: Millimes, piasters, and pounds, at somewhat less than Sterling during the continued financial crisis following the Suez war.

Sudan: Egyptian currency, soon to be replaced by Sudanese money in the same terminology and probably of similar value.

Palestine: Millimes, piasters and pounds of the Egyptian Republic, as used in the Gaza Strip with distinctive "Palestine" bilingual overprint.

Jordan: Fils and dinars on a par with Sterling.

Lebanon: Piasters and pounds at the rate of 320 piasters or 3 pounds 20 piasters to the U.S. dollar.

Syria: Same as Lebanon but usually worth some 10% less.

Iraq: Fils and dinars, on a par with Sterling.

Saudi Arabia: Guerches and riyals, with the riyal being worth around 25 cents U.S. This word riyal probably comes from the old Spanish term real, a coin formerly in circulation both in Spain and Spanish America, which accounts for its appearance on some of the early classic issues of Latin America. It came to mean any large silver coin in the Arabian area, and eventually to designate the Maria Theresa thaler or trade dollar, but the modern Saudi riyal is much smaller than the latter and worth less than a third as much.

Kuwait: Annas and rupees of India, although overprinted on United Kingdom stamps now instead of on those of the former Indian Empire, on a par with the

Indian currency.

Bahrain: Same currency as Kuwait.

Qatar, Trucial Oman States, Oman And Muscat: Same currency as Bahrain and Kuwait o/p on U.K. stamps but without state name overprint.

Aden Protectorate: Qaiti and Kathiri states in Hadhramaut alone issue definitive stamps, under Aden superscription and in Aden's East African currency. 100 cents to the shilling, 20 shillings to the pound, which is approximately equal to the British pound Sterling.

Aden Crown Colony: Same currency as protectorate states.

Yemen: Bogash and ahmadis. 40 bogash equal one ahmadi, formerly called imadi and commonly called riyal. The Yemeni riyal, corresponding in size and silver content to the Maria Theresa thaler or trade dollar, is worth approximately 80 cents U.S., instead of 25 cents, which is the value of the Saudi one. The singular of bogash is bogshah. This, and the constant switching back and forth from French to English transliteration of the Arabic spelling has given us the confusing "bogchah", "bogaches", "bogsha"—and its attempted pluralizing in English of an Arabic singular, as "bogshas"—which appear on the various foreign-printed Yemenite sets.

The only set printed in Yemen itself—Scott's numbers 1, 2 and 3—expressed the individual stamps' value in Arabic writing on the left-hand dagger blade, in fractions of a riyal or imadi. Thus: "Nsf thumma imadi, or 1/2 of 1/2 imadi", and, "thumma imadi", or, 1/2 imadi, respectively. Thus, none of the standard catalogues faithfully reproduce the terminology expressed on the stamps, which corresponds to actual pentagonal silver coins of the realm in current use today.

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In the past few years cover collectors have been offered some rare opportunities to obtain mail from the world's two polar regions. The several nations which have sent expeditions to the Arctic or Antarctic have generally made it possible to obtain covers cancelled from the various bases.

Serving those who add such material to their albums is the American Society of Polar Philatelists which is affiliated with the American Polar Society. Members have an interchange of information and philatelic items, plus direct information on opportunities for further covers.

Inquiries can be directed to secretary Neil M. Josephson M. D., 83 Forest St., New Britain, Conn. In charge of the Antarctic activities is Mark Smith, Jr., 4500 S. W. 8th Ave., Miami 55, Fla.; and of the Arctic, George Hall, Box 6, Sitka, Alaska.

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Austrian Engraver Passes Over

Professor Ferdinand Lorber, possibly the greatest portrait engraver in the world, certainly amongst the very top rank of these ace artists, passed away on May 14 at the age of 74. The Austrian Post Office issued a short communique listing his chief works, but that did not tell the whole story by a very long way.

Lorber was a pupil of the later Prof. Ferdinand Schirnbock, in his day the doyen of engravers. Pupil is hardly the right word because he was only a few years younger than his instructor, but nevertheless he outlived him by 25 years. Though he engraved a wide variety of work, including book plates, banknotes, and all kinds of miscellanea of this nature, his chief occupation was as an instructor in security engraving at the Vienna Graphic Academy, which institute he served until he reached retiring age some years ago.

Frankly, his stamp designs are not of the most inspired, but he did his most successful work for Austria as a superlative interpreter of Prof. Dachauer's masterly drawings. Indeed the combination has been responsible for some of the most successful stamp issues in Austrian philatelic history.

Now both Dachauer and Lorber are dead, names only in 1/2mm. capitals beneath a series of beautifully executed adhesives. With them one of the links separating the first and second republic has been snapped.

How To Rig Prices

A beautiful example of the gentle art of speculative price rigging has been exposed in the German stamp press. For some months, the local journals carried buying advertisements for the Berlin Liberty Bell issue (first series), which retails locally at about the 30DM. level. The buying advertisements (under box numbers) began by "offering" full retail price and week by week raised the buying offers to an unparalleled 60DM level, about 15% per set. Naturally, there were plenty of offers from would-be sellers, all of which (as far as can be established) were turned down. Instead, the same advertiser—as far as can be judged—began to circulate dealers and collectors with selling offers at

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30DM backed by strong advice "in view of present buying prices, these stamps will be worth 60 to 80DM in the autumn", until the magazines grew wise to those tricks.

Under the title of "Hertrich's Bitter Drops", the Berlin trade monthly "Der Berufs-Philatelist", exposed the spurious would-be purchaser as one Hans Hertrich, owner of the "Hof-Likör-Fabrik" (Hof Liqueur Factory) in a place called Hof (Bavaria). It is far from certain whether the word "Hof" in the title refers to the location of the factory in the town of the same name, or whether it is to be implied that the Hertrich Works delivered their products to the erstwhile Bavarian Court.

Be that as it may, German collectors are naturally indignant at this bare-faced speculation at their expense and it is to be hoped that some legal means of redress occurs.

Courier Mail

Several months ago I mentioned the German "Kurierpost" labels used in East Germany. Now London specialist Peter Rickenback tells me that these items are in fact not so much stamps as control labels (even though they are postmarked) in an attempt to establish a secure form of mail transport and check for official notifications and the likes. These of course were particularly necessary if one remembers the West Berlin "Standard Publishing House" and the "Fighting Group Against Inhumanity" about which I recently had occasion to write.

A cryptic note from the East German Ministry of the Interior states: "The tokens of the Central Courier Service are not 'tokens of value' within the meaning of the Postal Law, but are merely control labels which at the same time serve accountancy purposes, and which are issued by the Ministry of the Interior. These labels are used only in the internal official service of the state organs of the German Democratic Republic."

"The labels are cancelled—for control reasons—by the Post Office. Otherwise all official bodies would have to acquire special cancellation stamps which would result in considerable expenditure."

Latest news is that these have been overprinted with diagonal rows of groups of figures (for instance the number "1600" repeated approximately three times in four rows), which is thought to be a code of the issuing office. Their marginal markings are also of interest, the usual value counters appear, together with the standard imprint "Graphische Werkstatt, Leipzig", Plate Nos. 1 to 5. The lower sheet margins are sometimes perforated.

Out Of Jail—And Back Again

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July 9 — Hy Bedrm, 116 Nassau St., New York 38, N. Y. United States including wholesale quantity offers.

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July 13 — Norman Stamp Studio, Inc., 12051 Ventura Pl., Studio City, Calif. U. S. Br. Emp. Airs. Wholesaler.

July 14 — Pasadena Stamp Co., 419 S. Grand Oaks Ave., Pasadena, Calif. Brit. Emp. General, Airs. of the World.

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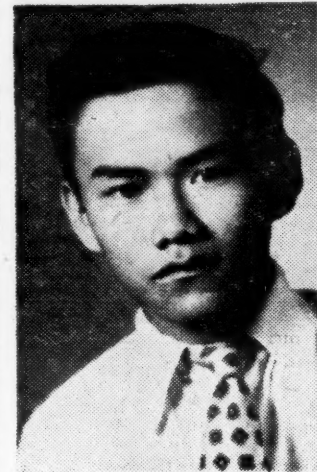
July 19 — Michael M. Karen, 1467 Greenport Rd., Far Rockaway 91, N. Y. United States exclusively with rarities.

July 31 — Alcorn & Meyer, P. O. Box 763, North Miami, Fla. Deluxe German States, British Emp., Israel, Foreign.

Mike In Sarawak
Sends His Thanks

Michael Shim

I don't quite know how I should write the things I want to say. Only I want to let the readers of Linn's know of the many wonderful people who wrote and sent stamps to me since the publication of my article in the October 8, 1956 edition. By getting the hundreds of letters from America, I feel so close of myself to America as if I were just coming back from your most wonderful country of freedom. Each and everyone of the letters is written in the most wonderful sense, that it makes me feel everyone of them has known me for years instead of only a few moments. Each one is sincere, helpful, loving and understanding.



Michael Shim

My Pa and my family just cannot express in their fullest words how grateful and thankful they are for the many wonderful kindnesses you Americans have shown to me. If only we can do something in order to repair our gratitude to each and everyone of you, how gladly we would.

I have found that as a result of my article in Linn's, every American is willing to help me in anything. Even one boy in New York wrote to me and take for granted that I have already start sailing for New York, and that he will be waiting at the pier with a cab to take me to his home! So you see what I mean by so willing and so eager to help me.

I want to thank Linn's Weekly Stamp News for publishing my article. I think it is wonderful that Linn's is trying to help youngsters like me with stamps and with getting to know the world and the people outside our country. It has opened a new life for me getting to know all of you wonderful people.

One thing I regret though—I have not replied to each letter. Many of you might have thought I would not care to reply to your letters. It is not so. In plain words, I want all to understand. It is not possible for me to attend to all these letters immediately. It needs time. Please be patient. I am trying to catch up with all the letters and I hope I can reply to all before you get the wrong impression of me.

One last word—my Pa, family, and I want to express our heartfelt thanks to all you wonderful people for the many kindnesses we have had from America. I respect you all. I am very grateful to Linn's for only through Linn's was I able to form these wonderful friendships with you people of America.

(Editor's Note: The author, Michael Shim, P.O. Box 55, Miri, Sarawak, is a 17 year old boy whose article "A Chinese 'Pa' in Sarawak" was published in the October 8, 1956 edition).



July 17—Eastern Suffolk Stamp Club 1-day show: VFW Hall 114 Griffing Ave., Riverhead, L. I., N. Y.; 4 to 10 p.m. Admission free; children welcome! Jamboree, July 26-28 — Kansas-Missouri Stamp Club, Town House Hotel, Kansas City, Kan. Hosts — Kansas Precancel Society, Missouri Precancel Club.

August 3-4—Second Annual American First Day Cover Society Convention and Exhibition, Essex Hotel, Newark, N. J.

August 8-11—36th Annual Convention and Exhibition, Penn-Sheraton Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Aug. 15-16—Society of Philatelic Americans, Municipal Auditorium, Long Beach, Calif.

Florida Stamporee
Winners Announced

Grand Award winner at the Clearwater, Fla. "Stamporee 1957" of June 22-23 was Dwight B. Ball, Avon Park, Fla., with his France Stampless Covers. He also took a gold medal.

Other gold medalists were E. F. Radford (Austria), Mrs. Robt. E. Lee (Roosevelt Topical), Theodore Bowman (Vatican City), and H. K. Kinne (Japan).

Silver awards: Byron C. Cameron, Robt. W. Pitt, George F. Vachon, Marcus Lifshutz and George F. Vachon again.

George Ritter, E. J. Hogan, Mrs. Caroline Vining, Dr. J. U. Buchanan, and George C. Moeller took bronzes.

Premature Official FD
Cancel On Steel Stamp

Reader B. Rolston, of Schenectady has two interesting items. Seems he submitted his own "Steel" covers for handstamping May 22, and got them back dated February 23, "First Day of Issue" and all. He wonders if any others have been discovered.

They are unusual, but are of no established premium value. The explanation is that the February 23 device for the Architects stamp was accidentally picked up by the cancelling clerk, instead of the correct one of May 22.

This accident happens occasionally; a few 20c rotary Special Deliveries are known struck one day "early" in Washington, while a "Flag" single has been seen with a strike (not first day) of 1938 or 1939!

CORRECTION NOTICE

Our attention has been called to the fact that an erroneous list of ISRAEL offers and prices appeared in the page 7, June 24 ad of the Academy Stamp Co.

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740-749 (10)	1.50	6.00	.75	3.40	
772-777 (6)	.35	1.35	.15	.60	
782-784 (3)	.17	.68	.08	.26	
788-794 (10)	.60	2.25	.30	1.15	
795-802 (8)	.60	2.25	.30	.95	
803-834 (32)			1.85	10.00	
835-838 (4)	.45	1.85	.12	.65	
852-858 (7)	.60	2.40	.20	1.00	
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922-929 (8)	.42	1.65	.25	1.20	
930-933 (4)	.16	.55	.08	.35	
934-944 (11)	.55	1.95	.20	.95	
945-952 (8)	.45	1.40	.24	.80	
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50	.05	108	.09
50A	.10	109	.15
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72	.12	112	.75
73	.12	115	3.95
75	.17	131	.07
76A	.45	137	.12
77	.25	139	.20
79	.40	142	.15
82	2.95	152	.40
86	.32	157	.06
91	.45	165	.06
94	.50	168	.12
96	1.10	169	.12
99	.11	169	.28
103	.70	170	.40
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235	FV	2.25
288	VF Og Nh	2.50
286	S Og Nh	8.50
296	FV Og Nh	6.95
296	FG Og Nh	4.95
296	F Og Nh	5.95
371	VF Og	3.50
373	G Og	1.95
391	VI Og	2.30
392	G Og	.65
393	F Og	2.20
395	FV Og	2.50
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7	5c Blue Og Vi	1.50
7	5c Blue Og Nh FV	1.25
7	5c Blue Og Nh FV	1.25
8	2c Brown Red Og Nh Vi	3.25
8	2c Brown Red Og FV	2.85
8	2c Brown Red Og Nh F	2.80
8	2c Brown Red F 2.15; G	1.45
9b	10c Gray Blue Og FV	37.50
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SWISS GUARD (Continued from Page 1)

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Drummers of the corps are shown on the 10L and 60L. Another photograph of Leonard von Matt served as the model for this design. Engraving of the plates was in the hands of M. Colombati, Inc.



All stamps were printed at the State Printing Office, Rome, on paper watermarked with the "crossed keys" in sheets of 45 (9 x 5). Their validity for postage payments was extended to the end of June 1957.

During a campaign of Charles VIII, King of France, against Naples in 1505, the military efficiency and unswerving loyalty of the Swiss mercenaries in his army came to the attention of Pope Julius II. So outstanding was their valor that they earned his great admiration and respect. At the insistence of Swiss Cardinal Schinner, Pope Julius II, dispatched Peter von Hertenstein, son of the town mayor of Lucerne, home to

deal with the "Tagstzung" (general state assembly) in order to obtain the approval for a personal bodyguard for the pope composed entirely of Swiss soldiers.



Negotiations were difficult and prolonged. The Swiss preferred to fight for France due to vast promises of promotions and spoils. In addition, there was a growing resentment towards mercenary service which had left many wives as widows, and many children, fatherless. Despite the opposition, the treaty was pressed. The cantons of Lucerne and Zurich agreed to constantly supply the reigning pontiff with a force of soldiers for his protection.



Col. Baron de Pfyffer d'Altishofen, late commander of the Guard.

On January 22, 1506, a contingent of Swiss soldiers, 150 strong, passed through the Porta del Popolo and entered Rome under the command of Captain-Colonel Kaspar von Silenen. They were greeted by Pope Julius II who assigned them quarters within the Vatican which they occupy to this day.



Officer in Ante-Chamber uniform.

Six years later, the Papal States and the life of Pope Julius II were placed in grave jeopardy. The Swiss Guard formed the nucleus of an army of eighteen thousand Swiss soldiers who, in a series of military engagements, defeated every enemy force. In gratitude, Pope Julius II bestowed upon them in perpetuity the title of "Protectors of the Liberty of the Church" and sent them two huge banners emblazoned with his coat of arms.

Early in the year 1515, during the Pontificate of Pope Leo X, the Swiss entertained the thought of breaking the pact with the papacy but nothing came of it. Two years later the Holy See concluded a treaty with Francis I, King of France, which placed the Swiss cantons in a position hostile to the papal political policies.

During this period of diplomatic

strain the able Papal Nunci, Ennio Filonardi (later Cardinal) noted that the post of commander of the Pontifical Swiss Guard was vacant and received approval to use it to advantage in cementing relations with the all important canton of Zurich. He offered the command to the Burgomaster of Zurich, Max Roust, who accepted only on the condition that when he reached the city of Rome he would step down from the post and turn the command over to his son, Gaspar. The contingent had gone only as far as the Tyrol when the elder Roust was stricken with illness and forced to return to his native city. Gaspar assumed command and continued to Rome.

The new commandant of the Pontifical Swiss Guard was born in Zurich in 1471. As early as 1500 he was a judge in the tribunal of Zurich and it seems never gave thought to a military career. It is did not keep him from becoming very proficient in his new profession however, for as early as 1520, we find Pope Leo X mentioning him as "the most worthy guard" in an official document.

Upon the death of Pope Leo X, Adrian VI, was elected to the Chair of St. Peter. He in turn was succeeded by Clement VII who became pope during a period of extreme political delicacy. There was almost a constant turmoil between Francis I, King of France, and Emperor Charles V of Spain. The pontiff unwittingly became involved in the struggle where treaties were made and broken, remade and rebroken.

At the same time relations between Rome and Zurich were severely strained and they were broken off on December 15, 1526. On the following January 3 Captain-Colonel Gaspar Roust received an ultimatum from Zurich and warned to return to his native city or suffer the consequence should he choose to ignore the order.

Roust knew that the Landsknechte, the German mercenaries in northern Italy, were fast being reduced to the last extremities for lack of pay and provisions. The situation was becoming quite severe and anything could happen. He was now torn between love of his homeland and his allegiance to the Pope who was possibly in grave danger. He decided to remain at his post and wrote a diplomatic letter home expalining the very dangerous situation.

The Landsknechte in the north
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Our inquiry as to its pronunciation has brought three answers. All differ a little but in the main they seem to be very similar. So here they are, take your choice. Bal-a Kinwood, Baalaa Kin wood, and Baila Kin Wid. None of the three mentioned it but I am assuming that this is a Welsh name. Am I right? (Ed.: You are!)

Thanks to Mr. Arthur Marton of Drexel Hill, Pa. E.F. Forbes of St. Petersburg, Fla. and Chas. E. Monroe of New Rochelle, N.Y.

BULLETIN BOARD.

Please note that the writer gets no commissions out of mentioning the various bulletins, nor any other compensation except a nice letter now and then from the club secretaries. Two of the clubs have bestowed honorary membership on me, for which we are grateful. However, we will continue to mention these bulletins from time to time because herein lies a means for the average collector to obtain more knowledge and make more contacts than in any other way. These bulletins about cover the United States now, and a collector can have one sent his way at a nominal price. Along with his LINN's he then gets a good coverage of the philatelic world.

So here goes. The Pacific Northwest bulletin with a 1/2c Liberty and 1 1/2c Prexy from Sedo Woolley, Wash. Here is a list of towns and types totals for states of that area: Alaska 9 towns and 9 types; this is the first time we have ever noted this listing on Alaska. Idaho has 89 towns and 126 types, Montana 110 towns and 161 types, Oregon has 187 towns and 266 types, Washington 214 towns and 346 types, Wyoming has 43 towns and 68 types. And all of these are pretty hard-to-get items if anyone should ask you.

Back East now the Keystone bulletin of the Western Pennsylvania club was mailed from Blairsville, Pa. with a pair of 1c Prexys. They are getting ready for the PSS convention over that way and are holding a donation auction. This will be over before Convention time and will not take any time out of convention activities. That list was mailed with a pair of 1c Libertys from Shade Gap, Pa.

INTN'L ADVENTURE
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Next, I find the local newspapers are in great demand. Many foreign collectors are sports addicts and desire sports pages. Others seek USA job opportunities. I try to send the large SUNDAY edition. Most every city has an extra large Sunday edition. I do not mail this paper myself as I find it easier to go to the local newspaper office and for a small fee have the paper mailed direct to my friend. Newspaper firms mail to all countries

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GERMANY (West). A commemorative stamp "Flora and Philately" was issued on June 8 for the stamp exhibition held at Cologne June 8 to 10. A posthorn and a tulip comprise the design; the value and color are 20pf. red.

On June 24th a 10pf. green, red, gray, and black stamp was issued to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the University of Heidelberg. A former president and three scholars with the old Sapiens manuscript make up the design.

GERMANY (East). A set of three values was issued on June 7 to honor scientists. The values and subject are: 5pf. brown (Johann Junius); 10pf. green (Leonhard Euler); and 20pf. red (Heinrich Hertz).

IRELAND. The centenary of the birth of John Redmond, Irish Parliamentary leader, was celebrated with the issuance on June 11 of two commemorative stamps. The first is a 3d blue and the second a 1/3 ruby.

NORWAY. Joining in the marking of the international geophysical year, 1957-58, Norway issued a set of three stamps on July 1. Values, colors, and designs are: 25 ore green (Jan Mayen Island); 35 ore red (Map of Svalbard); and 65 ore blue (map of the South Pole area with Queen Maud Land).

PITCAIRN ISLAND. The Crown Agents announce that a new definitive set has been prepared and that the following are the values and designs. 1/2d green and violet (Cordylone Terminalis); 1d black and green (map); 2d brown and green (Bounty Bible); 2 1/2d brown and orange (Pitcairn handicrafts); 3d blue and green (Bounty Bay, Pitcairn); 4d red and ultramarine (School on Pitcairn); 6d orange and blue (Fiji-Pitcairn Connection); 8d green and carmine (Inland Scene); 1 sh. black and brown (Pitcairn handicrafts); 2 sh. orange and green (Island Wheelbarrow); and 2/6 blue and red (Launching Whaleboat).

SAAR. The city of Merzig, Saar got its freedom 100 years ago. To WE DON'T know much about the discovery of vast stocks of stamps in old tin trunks or decrepit tea chests in the attic, but we do know we have a huge stock included in 100 stock books, several drawers of a filing cabinet and about 75 cigar and shoe boxes filled with a various assortment. All to be liquidated now. How about taking a chance on our giving you a square deal and sending two dollars for one lot? You won't lose. You get some good, ordinary and what have you. These lots run from 400 to 700 different with Airmails, Comems, Pictorials, Early Classics, etc., high and low values cat. .02 to 1.00. This is not a junk clearing sale. Everything goes. We do not handle approvals, no time to sort or classify. Just slip two bucks in an envelope and name your poison and we'll do the rest. Nuff said.

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sneaking into our column. Will
those who are preserving our
"Alphabetical Global Tour" ar-
ticles for future reference please
note that the population of the is-
land of Dominica numbers 60,000,
not 600,000 as erroneously printed
in the June 10th issue.

For the very first time, the British
Post Office Department will
service first day covers when the
eagerly-awaited Boy Scout Golden
Jubilee Jamboree makes its ap-
pearance on August 1. For a fee
of approximately 3 cents, the POD
will affix one complete set of three
values, 2½d, 4d and 1/3, to any en-
velope furnished by collector or
dealer, provided that it is in one
of three prescribed sizes. The most
intriguing aspect of this innovation
is that the stamps will be affixed
by a special machine, an experi-
mental model by Vacuumatic, Ltd.
of Dovercourt, Essex.

This device spreads a film of
water on the covers instead of
moistening the stamps and is said
to do the job of hundreds of manual
workers. The machine will turn
out 120 covers per minute from
coil rolls of 4800 (!) subjects, the
first stamps anywhere to be issued
in this form. It will be interesting
to see whether they will differ
from the normal sheet stamps.
Should this machine turn out to
be successful, we predict that it
will soon be used by this country
and the major European states.

Rumor has it that the British
West Indies Federation set will
consist of three denominations, 3c,
6c and 12c; no date announced as
yet. By the way, the capital of this
new dominion will be on the island
of Trinidad, near the coast of
Venezuela—in other words not in
a logical central location but at
its very edge. There are two tower-
ing personalities contending for
power in the new state, both bril-
liant Oxford-educated Negroes,
Norman Manley of Jamaica and
Eric Williams of Trinidad.

The grapevine in the West Indies
is that a political deal was en-
gineered whereby Manley would
become the first Prime Minister
in exchange for his approval of
the capital site on Trinidad. Since
there is no suitable ready-made lo-
cation on the latter island, a US
naval installation, built by this
country at great expense, will
house the new governmental ap-
paratus. Jamaica would have been
a far better choice because of its
size, central location and political-
ly more sophisticated population.
The May 13 Pan-American First
Flight from Barbados to New York
carried along slightly more than
8000 specially cacheted covers.

Two New Zealand oddities have
caused a slight ripple amongst
specialists. B49, the 1½ plus ½d
1956 Health semipostal, in deep
sepia instead of chocolate brings
close to \$1.00, while the 1/3 postal-
fiscal adhesive with the denomina-
tion printed in blue instead of
black, Scott No. AR98, fetches
close to \$2.00.

It is surprising how many collec-
tors fail to take advantage of the
annual summer slump which has
traditionally plagued most stamp
dealers. If you've had your eye on
some set, single or cover in your
favorite dealer's stock, but
couldn't quite afford it, now is the
time to acquire it at a favorable
figure. Wilted from the heat and
longing to hear the jingle of that
little bell in his cash register, pain-
fully rare during July and August,
the average dealer won't turn
down a reasonable offer on that
special item. Probably his resist-
ence will be low and his funds
even lower, so this may be your
chance for some splendid buys.

Even the dealer with a reputa-
tion for grouchiness during the
busy season tends to become so
starved for human companionship
then that he will welcome you with
a smile. Don't wipe it from his
face right off by making an obvi-
ously ridiculous offer for whatever
you have in mind. An offer of \$5
for something that the dealer him-
self paid \$10 for openly invites
violence. There are a number of
subtle ways to get what you want
at a low "summer" price without
running the risk of being shown
the door:

1. Look the item over for a long
time, hold it against the light and
shake your head as if puzzled. The
dealer will draw the conclusion
that you have discovered some
hidden defect that has escaped
him and will reduce his price with-
out your uttering a single word.
2. Take out a crumpled letter,
saying that you want to compare

the dealer's price with an offer
you have just received from Eng-
land, Scandinavia or what-have-
you and ask his indulgence while
you translate it into dollars and
cents. As you sit there, importan-
tly marking down columns of fig-
ures, the dealer will say to him-
self that his price is perhaps a
little on the high side and may not
stand comparison. Although you
may be doing nothing but multiply-
ing your house number by your
collar size, he'll quickly offer a
price concession to head you off
from finishing your make-believe
exercise in higher mathematics.

3. Report that you recall having
recently seen the identical item of-
fered in a stamp publication at a
price that struck you as particu-
larly low. Would the dealer mind very
much if you leafed through his
copies of the last three or four is-
sues of that periodical? He'll gnash
his teeth at this suggestion, but
will usually relent on his price
rather than face the prospect of
your taking up space for an hour.

4. Announce that you are about
to take the entire family for an
extended vacation that will very
likely leave you stone-broke. This
may be the dealer's last crack at
the contents of your wallet until
fall. He'll take the hint and will
probably accommodate you price-
wise.

5. Make an outright counter-of-
fer which the dealer will at first
pretend to dismiss with disdain. As
you walk out of his premises, walk
out in slow motion to give him a
chance to catch up with you and
to accept your offer. If you walk
away too quickly, he may lose you
in the crowd. Experienced practi-
tioners of this gambit, which must
be executed perfectly to succeed,
recommend lingering in front of
the dealer's display for two to
three seconds. Not longer, though!
Otherwise the dealer will think
that you are about to change your
mind and come back again!

Seriously, though, July and Aug-
ust are the ideal months to get
together with your dealer while he
can devote extra time to your spe-
cific needs. They say in boxing
that the best fighter is a "hun-
gry" fighter, and while your dealer
will hardly be on the brink of
starvation, you'll find him quite
anxious to talk business during the
slow season.

See you next week!

U S NOTES
(Continued from Page 6)

not worth the extra. But the
25c/1000 come forty to the penny
and that's dirt cheap even for
some who have little to spend on
philately.

Hinges are used for most all
the material you see in exhibitions
around the world — including the
very valuable — so why not use
what the experts have discovered
a long time ago is the most suit-
able method? Hinges which peel
off your stamps do not lessen the
value of your collection.

Also used to mount stamps are
various plastic sleeves, envelopes,
and pochettes. The big disadvan-
tages in their use is their cost, and
the difficulty to get your stamps
to stay in place when you turn
pages or otherwise handle your al-
bum. It is rather foolish to use 25c
worth of such containers to mount
a set which cost but 15c. You will
get nothing but the value of the
stamps and covers should you
want to sell your albums some
day. Everything you have put in
the fancy containers is lost.

However, these plastic items do
have their value, and it is advis-
able to incorporate them on your
pages when the opportunity offers.
When you do use them, get the
kind which allows air to circulate.
It has been found that lack of con-
tact with the atmosphere will
cause the deterioration and ulti-
mate disappearance of the gum on
mint stamps. On used stamps you
have no worries, but you should
provide for air circulation.

Several have written that to keep
the stamps from moving around
within the plastic sleeves and en-
velopes they have closed off the
ends with strips of scotch tape. As
was pointed out above, this is
stamp murder — the air has been
shut off bringing deterioration, and
the adhesive off the tape can bleed
into the sleeve to cause damage.

It will be up to you to decide
whether to use hinges or the plastic
sleeves and envelopes. Each has
its place and its advantages.
In my own collections the majority
of the stamps are hinge-mounted,
but there are a number of places
where I used the plastic products
including cover protection.

In the adhesive department is
another good tool which is often
misused — rubber cement. You
must not use rubber cement on a
stamp or cover to make it stay put
on the album page or other article.
No doubt it will stay stuck forever
if the cement is applied correctly,
but in time you will have a stain
which cannot be removed. The

stain is what makes junk out of a
previously good item.

I use rubber cement, and have
for over 15 years, mostly with my
souvenir sheet collection and with
a certain FDC collection. In every
application however, the adhesive
is never allowed near the things
which are philatelic. In 15 years I
have never had an unfortunate in-
cident with rubber cement chiefly
because it was used only in its
proper way and not in some man-
ner for which it was never intend-
ed.

There is, I believe, a type ad-
hesive similar to rubber cement
which the makers advise will not
stain, here again why take chances
when there are no calls for them?

Another accessory used incor-
rectly in some instances is the
glassine envelope. In case you do
not know it there are desirable
ones and ones which are danger-
ous.

The kind which has the approval
of most philatelic users is that
which has the seams on the ends.
The others which have the tri-
angular seams are less desirable.

The seams have to be glued to-
gether to make the envelope. Now
some of the glue used is the kind
which has a tendency to bleed out
from under the edges of the seams
onto any contents. If the contents
are stamps, you have damage to
them.

In the triangular seam kind
bleeding onto the contents would
be a certainty. But in the end seam
style, it is percentage-wise in your
favor that the contents will escape.

The dealer who sells you your
glassine envelopes might be the
epitome of square-shooters with
customers. But he has no way of
knowing when his manufacturing
supplier might have used some of
the glue which bleeds and runs un-
der heat. So play it safe — get
the end seam variety.

Another point: If you store
blocks always get your envelopes
wide enough so that you don't have
to bend or tear the perfs getting
them in and out. It is better to
have too much room than not
enough.

Glassine envelopes are used by
many people to store their mint
and used duplicates, singles and
blocks. I'd suggest you decide on
a standard size and then buy a
quantity of them. I'd further sug-
gest the purchase of a metal file
cabinet in which to store the stuff.
You will then have your items put
safely away and available im-
mediately for reference if you file
them in a logical order.

In conclusion it might be said
that whenever you cut corners or
put on the cheap act it might look
like an economy today. But come
a few months when your penny-
pinching backfires you will find it
was the most expensive economy
you ever effected.

It is going to cost you for proper
tools and materials in this hobby
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Later in the same year the French again entered Rome. On July 7, 1800, the French disarmed the Swiss Guard, Pius VII had forbade them to fight. The French removed the pope from Rome as a prisoner. Some of the Guard stayed in Rome while others returned to their native Switzerland. Fourteen years later Napoleon was dethroned and Pius VII returned to Rome. Once again the loyal Swiss Guard was established. They were called to the defense of the pope in 1848 during the insurgent revolution in Rome. The Guard again saw action in the defense of the Quirinal Palace protecting Pope Pius IX.

On September 20, 1870, King Emmanuel's troops invaded Rome. The Papal Army had fought valiantly while the Pontifical Swiss Guard prepared themselves once again to prevent harm from coming to the person of the pope. Pius IX ordered the white flag to be hoisted over Rome long before an enemy soldier came within sight of the Vatican. His defenders were too few to stand long, but too many to be slaughtered needlessly.

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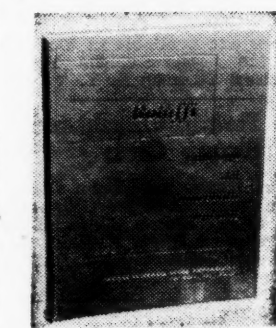
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This meeting will be held at Raycroft Walsh Park, the recreation area of Hamilton Standard Division of United Aircraft Corporation which is one of the finest recreational spots in Connecticut. Facilities are varied and ample; special area for small fry. Brief business sessions, a large bourse, an auction, and door prizes will be featured, plus free sample copies of the world's largest stamp magazine for all.

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SEPAD '57 Reports Successful Show

W. H. Flack writes on behalf of SEPAD '57, Philadelphia, to report a highly successful affair and to express appreciation of the advance support given the affair by the philatelic press. "Our success just proves," he observed, "that when everybody works together at the right time, everybody profits."

The Grand Award and A.P.S. Medal were won by John D. Peterson, Lansdowne, Pa., for Sweden's Classics Specialized. Section Trophies were taken by Donald M. Steele, Wm. Aichele, F. O. Garrett, Jr., John J. Britt, Vincent A. DeMase, Wm. Jounson, Jr., Mesdames Sharpless and Zirkle, Archy S. Myers, and Jos. J. Gudonis, Sr.

The S.P.A. Medal went to James D. Woodward, the SEPAD National Merit Award to Franklin H. Bruns, and the Local award to Frank E. Adams, a past president of SEPAD.

Religious Journal Features Stamp Cover

Topical collectors, and particularly the "Religion on Stamps" group, will be pleased with the cover of the June issue of the International Journal of Religious Education. Printed in black and white, it is divided into six sections featuring nearly 100 stamps with various religious motifs.

The subject is explored interestingly in a two-page article in the issue, by the Rev. Karl W. Scheufler, of Columbus, Ohio.

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THREE GERMANIES (Continued from Page 9)

Austrian magazine called "Neue Sammlerschau" which was edited, slanderously and libelously, by one Robert Drechsler. Miraculously, he even managed to swing his paper into the (temporary) organ of the Styrian Philatelic Federation, for it was printed and published at Leoben, Styria. Suddenly it disappeared, and Drechsler with it.

The next thing heard of him was a cryptic paragraph in the "Wiener Zeitung", the official organ of the Austrian Government which once a week runs a stamp column edited by Paul Werber. It said simply that "Robert Drechsler, 33, was recently repatriated to Austria after serving a prison sentence in Germany for unexplained offences. The Austrian police are also interested in his case."

It just goes to show to what lengths some stamp editors are prepared to go in their drive for circulation. Perhaps they hardly counted on being out of circulation altogether for a number of years.

Interesting Reading In New "First Days"

A study of Italian first day covers and an analysis of United States first day cover price rises in the 1957 edition of Scott's Specialized U. S. catalog, are two of the many interesting articles in the new issue of FIRST DAYS, official publication of the American First Day Cover Society.

Also included are such regular features as "The Question Box", which answers questions about first day covers submitted by readers; "Auction Notes", which gives the results of recent sales; "For Juniors", a column for young collectors and the "Cover Exchange" column through which first day covers are exchanged and sold.

For a free copy write to editor Gerald H. Strauss, 7205 Hanford St., Philadelphia 49, Pa.

Scout Jubilee Slogan Cancel In England

The English Post Office announces that special dies publicizing the World Scout Jubilee Jamboree are being used on stamp cancelling machines in certain English post offices during July. Send covers to the Postmaster, London, already addressed and franked with English stamps.

A special postmark will be used through July 13 on mail posted at a temporary post office at the Anglo-Danish Festival, Hull. (Use air mail to make this one.)

Details are not provided; it is suggested that collectors send self-addressed envelopes, franked with English stamps of proper value. Do not use U. S. stamps or send U. S. stamps in payment; U. S. currency is always acceptable everywhere.

POSTAL RATES (Continued from page 1)

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